\$1.00 A Year

MONONGAH RELIEF WORK

'At Monongab, West Virginia. five miles from Fairwoot, at 10:30 a. m., Friday, December 6, 1907. an explosion in Mine No- 6 and Mire No. 8 of the Fairmont Coal Company cocurred, resulting in the death of approximately 350 employees.

Monorgah is a mining town of about 3,000 inhabitants. This disaster has destroyed almost ore helf of its bread-winners. The other half is composed of the employces of two other mines of the same Company, and of the usual a pure'y mining community.

Fally 250 widows and 1,000 children are left without any mears of support. The most of these families live in the company's houses at Monongah, the remaining ones in various countries of Europe. The Company has generously declared that the families occupying their houses may re main until other provision is made for them, but operations cannot be resumed at the damaged mires until these houses are available fer the new force. Many of the resident families must seek a community in which they can earn a livelihood,

Aid must be given these families to reach their new abodes and to help them establish themselves. and the families living abroad must be provided for until they can adjust themselves to their new conditions.

As near as can be determined at this time almost \$50,000 from all sources has been subscribed. Upon the basis of \$300 for each widow, and \$100 for each child will be required. At least \$25 000 additional will be reeded to provide, on relatively the same basis, for the aged dependents of the unmarried victims, the many now unborn children and the undoubted accessions to the married victims' list when complete infor mation has been received.

The committee feels that a be sis lower than the above will co be adequate to properly care for the needs of the bereaved ones, and a total of \$200,000 will therefore be required to carry out the relief work on this basis.

The immediate needs of the resident families are being amply met by the Company and a com mittee of women from Fairmon and Monongah.

The committee begs to expres its profound gratitude for the contributions already so generously made, and to earnestly ap peal for the further assistance that it feels is so badly needed.

The magnitude of this disaster is too great for West Virginik to alone render all the belp required. It commands pational attention and the committee feels assured that its appeal will be heard, and responded to, by the nation,

All ebecks should be made payable to the Monongah Mines Relief Committee, J. E. Sands. Treasurer, Fairmont, W. Va., and they and all cash contribu tions should be sent to him.

Yours very truly. W. M. O. Dawson, Governor of West Virginia, Chairman.

A. Howard Fieming. Postmaster of Fairmont, Secretary. P. S. Donahue, Bishop of Wheel-

John W. Mason, Judge of Cir nit Court.

W. E. Arnett, Mayor of Fairmout. W. H. Monroe, Mayor of Monongah.

Sabscription Committee.

The County of Fayette has been med by David Williams for \$5, 000 damage for personal injuries and \$125 for injury to his borse sed by the treaking of ridge at Glen Juan.

Gone Democratic

The Baltimore San points out teriely the similarity of President Roosevelt's, message last week and the Democratic platform. The resemblance are almost startling We quote from the San as follows:

There is a singular parallel between the policies advanced in Mr. Rusevelt's message and these laid down in the Chicago platform of the Democratic party in 1896, upon which Mr. Brian roads and the colargement of the results. power of the Interestate Comand Mr. Roosevelt suggests the

terms of similar mesning.

### Farm Life Education.

The United States Department under 16 years of age, \$175,000 of Agriculture is becoming of iner of education that educates efficiency on the farms of the country. Assistant Secretary Hays was known for his work as a college man and as an agricultural investigater before he was called to be the first assistant to Se writy Wilson. His improvements of wheats made millions for the farmers of Minne o a before he went to Washington. Mr. Hays is coming to West Virgivis in January to lecture on "Farm Life Education" before the Winter Course in Agriculture But this is not all. He will coninet an afternoon conference and till have charge of the school firing two morning peroids on different days, giving personal instruction to those in attendance, Every West Virginia farmer ought to be interested, and ought to frop a postal card asking for particulars to D. W. Working, Mor-

# Wasan't Half Through

A friend relates to us the fol owing anecdote of a logger who used to operate on the Greenbrier some eighteen or twenty years go. We change the name so as not to mortify Uncle Jim's feel-

Old Uncle Jim Cassiday was well known character. He was hale and hearty and had an enormore appetite. The men used come down the river, and on trip when the cook of the cres was sick they took dinner at farm house close by the river With appetite sharpened, old Uncle Jim sat down with the fire et of men and ate diligently during the time these men made neal. A third set came and th farmer, becoming alarmed, tried to harry up the protracted meal by saying: "Better drink your offee, Uncle Jim, and have an ther cup." "No," said the old ann, "I never drink til I'm half irough."-Ness.

MATCH MAKERS ANXIOUS

Decreasing Supply of Timber is Already Worrying Manufacturers Is is perhaps more characteristic peop'e to hold small' things in the day stores, etc , which go to make up other important planks of the in the world's history. There are of the largest stores that is found Rocsevelt's message. The chica- can remember when the flint' and go platform was opposed to an tinder were the regular means of Co. immediate change in the tariff, starting a fresh fire, and the Mr. Il reserved wants tariff action old one was excefully preserved deferred. The Chicago platform by burying the embers night after advocates an income tax, and so night to be revived in the moradoes Mr. Roosevelt. The Chica- ing. It is eighty years sgo the company runs three farge camps. go platform advocates legislation present year that the luticer match, Camp No. 1 is run by Mr. K. P. for the arbitration of labor disput the first genuise friction match. Beckner, who is well known and iss. So does the President. The was invented, and even that re liked by every one. Camp No. Chicago platform favored stricter quired an attachment of bent sand 2 is run by a good old Penssyl-

> court to issue restraining orders; every section seems to have George Bowman, an employee Payne and Konnison have shut ment of inland waterways in traveler for many years tells us glass factory. that if he were taken up and carghanies he could tell within a the matches he should find in use his brother. matchee." and declared that he independent enterprising people his post of duty.

tike oursalves put up with them The American people, however, appear to be fairly well content land on a vacation. with the home product, else they would not buy and consume so many with comparatively so little grambling. They use about 700-000,000,000 a year or about half of all that are manufactured in the world. There are hundreds country, one plant on the Pacific days. Coast covering 210 seres and op erating over thirty miles of railroad, over which is carried to it daily 200,000 feet of engar pine and yellow pine logs for the match machines. Inferior lumber will not do. It must be straight grain ed and free from knots and carefully treated in addition. The by product goes into larger things The factory on the Pacific Coast referred to turns out as this by product a thousand doors and 800 window sashes daily. In a single year one match company in the ake region cut 235,060,000 board feet of pine, though that was intended for more than a

year's product. It is no wonder, when we con ider these figures, that the match nakers are becoming anxious And that is true in other countries s well as cur own. In Germany to have forcets planted just for match timber, and we may soon face a famine in match wood in in this country, for not all kinds an be used for that purpose,

It may also happen that inven on may develop something the will take the place of matches. e not probable that the limit cans of producing fire at need.

There is no Promothean penal y for the man who shall make he discovery, but rather we

As we have not goen anything n vone good rewer paper conserning our little town and its ourshirts I wil send son a few of Americans than of any other of the most important topics of

contempt, forgetting that tlittle May is situated eleven miles drops of water, little grains of from Durbin on the C. & I road, and report a tice time. sand" constitute the planet we and is a beautiful little town. It inhabit. A match is a small and is composed of people of this and insignificant affir, yet multiplied other states, who are taking ad as it has been in this country and ransage of the good times of the inches deep was first pominated. Instant of the rest of the civilized world it past few years. This town is the free coi age, of silver. Mr has been one of the most potential composed of about twelve hun-Roosevelt recommends elastic as- of modern material development, died people. There is a church, set paper currency. But the It has come into use at a late day schoolhouse, lodge hall, and one Chicago platform are all in Mr. many living smrong as still who between here and the M ssissippi river is min by the May Supply

A large mill owned and operated by Giffilen Neal & Co , is rupping in full blast, "It gives work to about 100 men. This Federal control of trust and rail- paper to produce the desired vania dutchman, who deserves much credit for his good work It is hard for the present genes, and kindness to his men. Camp merce Commission. Mr. Roose- tion to realize the inconveniences No. 3 is run by Mr. Marshall velt makes the same recommenda- from which the friction match from Pennsylvania. At Camp ures and fixing watches tion. The Chicago platform ob. emancipated their ancestors. The No. 1 George Kellison, of Mariects to government by ir justion, manufacture of this product has linton, is head cook, and Fred Bruffey's school were enjoyed by become a great and even a some- Osterhout does the corkesing, all that was present. restriction of the power of the what diversified industry, because blacksmithing, and saw filing. Henry reserved the medal.

the message advocate the improve- man who has been a commercial Clarksburg to take charge of the for the winter-

handred miles of where he was by er, has gone to Hamilton to visit they wanted it.

There is also a national pride in Mr. Gillispie an engineer. matches. A recent mayor of Man while running an engine recently, chester, England, visiting friends somthing went wrong and he in Boston a few days ago, spoke jumped from it and dislocated his lightly of our "abaminable shoulder," but with good treatment received at the Davis Memorial did not see how a high-spirited, Hospital at Elkins, he is again at

> Mr. Corbin, store manager for Supply Co., has gone to Cumber. county.

George Carpenter, of Danmore, conductor on the log road, was at Clover Lick on business recently, home a few days and report the Dennis Flynn his gone to Clarks lumbering on a boom in Greenburg to spend Christmas.

Carl Beekner will go to Webster Springs to spend Christmas Cherry Biver lumber camp and is of factories scattered over the and use the salt water for a few going to school.

## ONOTO

We have been having some very nice winter weather for a week, and sleigh bells been in evidence part of the time.

Mrs. T. S. Dulanev fell on the ice ore day last week and broke one bone in her arm near the wrist Aaror Moore was visiting his

day last week. Raben Auldridge, of Millpoint, spent Saturday night and Sanday

at this place. A. C. Barlow is feeding a num ber of cattle and sheep on the Gibson farm this winter.

The Pine Grove school is pro greesing nicely under the manage ment of Pa.f. D. L Barlow.

Frank Patterson passed this ace one day last week with a ice drove of sheep; he was bring ng them is from bis Williams nver farm.

Miss Pearl Taylor is at home for the holidays from her school Industry and Sobriety," and ha at Buena Vista, Va.

Miss Georgia Baxter came home Saturday from Bartow where she been spending most of the pairment Coal and Coke Company amer and fall with her sister. Mrs. H. A. Slear,

Several of the boys who have

Ray, S. & Callison has gone lowe to spend Christmas.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Laurel Creek school house on Tursday ove of this week.

A pusher of the young and nied a sgrd people of this place zere on a hav side Siturday eve

#### LOSELIA

Spow is about four or fin

There were two sermons he est Sunday, one by Rev Sleath in the Methodist church, and Rev Woolridge in the Eaptist church

R S Hill returned home last he has been hunting and reports and three per cent interest?" that he saw two big deer.

T. R Vanghan was at home a with the Hickory Lumber Co.

Grimes doctor his borse Saturday. Old Kit was down with indiges

J C Kennison has a sore hand which is g ying him trouble-

S. E. McCarty, of Seebert, was in this part last week taking pict

The spelling match at T.

and finally both the platforn and matches peculiar to itself. A of this company, has gone to their sawmill on Hills Creek down

Ben Bobbett and Johnnie Skid Sam Hurst and wife have gone more are in town. They say the ried to any point east of the Alle o Narfolk, Va, to visit friends. loggers are out of a home where Charles Young, the steam load- once they had a job whenever equity now pending in the Circuit

Lovie Vaughan is doing business for the Lobelia Supply Co.

James Wickline is feeding and tle. Mr. Moore has as fine bunch of cattle as there is in the

George Dean has a big logging job in Greenbrier for Aumller. Roy and Jack Clouser were at

Pat Henry is home from the

Robert Williams is the champion hunter-be killed twenty rabbits in four days.

# Council Re-Organized

J. Alfred Taylor, of Favetteville who is State Council Secretary of Mechanics was in Marlinion last week re-organizing Pocahontas Council No. 15, which was disdaughter, Mrs. C. C. Baxter, one solved some time ago-

Mr. Taylor informs us that the Order is rapidly growing in this State, fourteen new Councils and three reorganizations having been effected during the year end October 15, making a net gain in embership of over 1,000. Since that time five now Councils have stituted in Greenbrier, two in Kanawha and one in Fayette-Another will be instituted in Greenbrier county, at Asbury, their worseme

This Order is purely American and only native born are accepted It has for its motto the three ennobling principles of "Honesty three degrees illustrative of these

An effort is being made by th to establish an orphanege to take me accidente. There are full The oral acage will coat \$50.0

Robert Watson, sged ten years was drowned in "Fall Hole."

sk for a loan of one hundred and in each others arms. Saturday from Richword where fifty million dollars and pay two

The Monor gib and Connellefew days last week from Fort ville disesters could surely have Spring where he has a position been prevented. In European enal-producing countries legisly -J. A. Young was helping J. B. tion for safeguarding the lives of miners has proved effective, and three such disasters as we have had within a fortnight will probably induce the mineowners to consider the need of a ricter precautions - New York Times.

#### Notice to Take Depositions To W. S. Taylor:

You will take notice that 11th day of January, 1908, be tween the hours of 6 a. m. and 6 p. m. of that day, at the law office of Talbott & Hoover, in the City of Etkins, Randolph county, West Virginia, I shall proceed to take the depositions of William Gulland and others to be used as evidence in my behalf in a suit in failed to turn on the light and Court of Pocahontas County, W.

And, if from any cause, the commenced on that day, or being home on Mill Creek, Randolph commenced, be not concluded, last week, aged 55 years, of partaking care of E. O. Moore's cat- the taking of the same will be con alysis. Her husband is a nephew tinued from day to day, or from of the venerable James A. Metime to time, at the same place, Collum of Backs Mountain. and between the same hours. until completed.

By Talbott & Hoover, Attys,

## Sale of Municipal Bonds

the undersigned for the purchase six years over eleven thousand Marlinton to the amount of \$1000 ican mine disasters, Said bonds are of thedenomination of \$100 and bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, before the close of the open seeeimi appeally. bonds are to be paid at the office small heard of deer have made of the treasurer of said town. their home in the brushy country the Order of United American Bonds are to bear date January that lies between the Jan 15, 1908, and no bide are to be Greenbrier rivers. Occ received for less than par value, one is killed, but they are little Bonds matured and are payable troubled by dogs or varments and twenty years from their date. gradually on the increase. Some-Bids will be received at the office times they are driven by stress of of the Mayor until the 6th day of weather conditions to come out in January, 1908, at 8 p. m.

A certified check, payable to the trescurer of the town of Mar aton must accompany each bidfor five per cent of the amount of such proposal, to be forfeited by of a failure or refusal to take the rock some distance from the wasaid bonds

Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, Dated December 12, 1907.

T. S. MONEEL. Mayor of the town Marlinton West Virginia.

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STATE NEWS.

Three children were burned t Elk River, Webster ennty some death in a horrible maoner at weeks mgo. He and two other Honater, in Logan county, last hove had been inspecting some week. The mother had locked trans and on returning lest their them in the house while she had naddle, the wind drove the boat gore to visit a neighbor. While ander the falls where it sank, she was gone the building took The other two boys were resented fire in some canner, and before the flames were discovered the wwith nine hundred million building was ready to fall in. The gold deliars and five hundred mil father made frantic efforts to mave on silver dollars in the United his children was able to find but States treasury, is it good financi-one, the baby, who died a few al proposition for the government hours after. The other two, aged to deprest two handred and forty six and four years, had taken million dollars with the national refere under the bed, where the banks without interest and then little bodies were found locked in

> A receiver has been appointed for Hotel Randolph, at Elking. Isability to pay interest on a debt of \$69,000 and running expenses is the cause. With the Gassaway also in the hands of a receiver and another hotel in sehes, this has been a hard week on Elkine' hostelries.

The Supreme Court has refused to reverse itself in the famous levy suit from Wirt county which over the constitutional right of thecounty court to levy an amount in excess of the thirty-five cent limit imposed by the new tax laws. In all probability this will settle the question of an extra session of the legislature, and it is thought that the Governor will immediately issue a call.

Editor Weir, of the Randolph Enterprise, like to have busted himself in getting into bed Wedneeday night. Coming in late he made a flying leap for the bed, and hit the floor with a recounding Joe Walton and son Clarence Va , in which I am plaintiff and thump. Some one had changed the bed's position in his abo

Mrs. Mary McCollum, wife of taking of said depositions be not James McCollum, died at ber

On last Thursday the Monon gah mine horror was repeated THE GULLAND-CLARE COMPANY, Dear Conneleville, Pennsylvania, when an explosion of gas or dust wrecked a mine and entombed over two hundred miners. It is By order of the council of the thought that not one will seen town of Marlinton. West Virginia as the mines took fire immed ealed bids will be received by after the explosion. In the last of municipal bonds of the town of men have lost their lives in Amer-

> A large deer was killed on the outskirt of Lowisburg a few days Interest and son. For a number of years a the open and feed with the cattle.

W. S. Hambrick, of Swamp. Webster county, caught an otter that messured four and a half feet in length and weighed twentyeight pounds. Some days previous he had tracked it to a ledge of ter. He stopped the hole, set a trap and finally starved the otter out. Another large otter was caught in the same lo eeks ago.

In the Federal Court at Ch y. An org ed as a sequel to the trial.